



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NEW RETAINING WALL TO BE BUILT ON HIGHWAY 1 NEAR LUCIA

MONTEREY COUNTY – A project to install a 520-foot long retaining wall will begin Monday, Dec. 11 along Hwy. 1, from one mile north of the Limekiln Creek Bridge to one mile south of the town of Lucia. One lane of the highway will be closed and a temporary traffic signal will be installed from Dec. 18, until the Memorial Day weekend in May of 2007.

There will be full **overnight** highway closures beginning Jan. 7 from Sunday through Thursday nights between 9 pm to 6 am until the Memorial Day weekend. Following the holiday weekend, one way traffic control with flaggers will be in place at all times except for Fridays at 1 pm until Sunday nights at 9 pm. This project is expected to be complete by December of 2007.

Authorized emergency vehicles will have access to Hwy. 1 at all times during this project. Motorists can expect a delay not to exceed 20 minutes.

The contractor for this \$5 million project is Condon Johnson and Associates of Oakland, California.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in Monterey County, residents can call the District 5 toll free number at 1-831-372-0862 or can visit our website at www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upmon.htm

